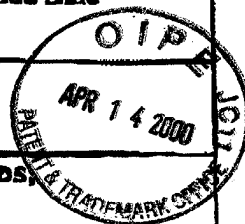


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<b>Invention:</b> NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE SET FOR DETECTING SALMONELLA NUCLEIC ACIDS, KIT AND USE					
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